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SUBJECT: ICEM ROLE IN MOVING DETAINEES FROM LATIN AMERICA

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1. MISSION OFFICER SPOKE WITH JARRELL OF ICEM ABOUT THAT ORGANIZATION'S ARRANGEMENTS WITH SPONSORING AGENCIES FOR MOVING DETAINEES FROM LATIN AMERICA. JARRELL SAID THAT ICEM WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORT FOR DETAINEES OUT OF LATIN AMERICAN WITH MINIMUM OF PROBLEMS AND DELAYS EXCEPT FROM ARGENTINA AND POSSIBLY URUGUAY.

2. JARRELL SAID ARGENTINA HAS UP TO NOW INDICATED IN STRONG TERMS ITS OPPOSITION TO ICEM'S INVOLVEMENT IN PROCESSING DETAINEE DEPARTURES. JARRELL UNDERSTOOD THIS OPPOSITION EVEN INCLUDED FUNDING OR PROCESSING TICKETS. JARRELL ALSO EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT ARGENTINA'S CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP IN ICEM WAS CURRENTLY OF SUCH A TENUOUS NATURE THAT FOR ICEM TO BECOME INVOLVED IN TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS CONTRARY TO THAT GOVERNMENT'S WISHES MIGHT RESULT IN ARGENTINA'S DROPPING OUT OF THE ORGANIZATION.

3. URUGUAY WOULD PROBABLY NO LONGER BE A PROBLEM SINCE THERE WAS A RECENT PRECEDENT CASE IN WHICH ICEM HANDLED
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THE TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS OF A DETAINEE.

4. JARRELL SAID THAT RORT T KOZAK (ICEM REP SANTIAGO) WAS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF URUGUAY AND ARGENTINA ABOUT ICEM'S ROLE IN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE RESULTS OF THE DISCUSSIONS SHOULD BE KNOMOG AROUND SEPT. 5 OR 6. HE PROMISED TO CONVEY THE RESULTS

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